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SUBJECT: RELEASE OF US INFORMATION TO NATO

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REFS: A. REQUEST FOR DOCUMENT RELEASE AUTHORIZATION

B. MSG DAMI-DOS, SUBJ AS ABOVE, 13 JUL 73.

C. MSG DAMI-DOS, SUBJ AS ABOVE, 13 SEP 73.

D. MSG SECDEF 5957, 8 DEC 71.

BEGIN SUMMARY. MISSION REQUESTS THAT DEPT OF ARMY APPROVE RELEASE OF ESSENTIAL DOCUMENTATION TO ALL NATIONS ACTIVE IN THE PRESENT NATO-HAWK PROGRAM. FRANCE, BELGIUM AND DENMARK, ALTHOUGH NOT AT THE MOMENT ACTIVE IN THE IMPROVED HAWK PROGRAM, HAVE AN ESTABLISHED NEED-TO-KNOW FOR THE INFORMATION REQUESTED AND SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE AUTHORIZATION LIST.

EMD SUMMARY.

1. REQUEST RECONSIDERATION OF POSITION ESTABLISHED IN PARA 2, REF C, IN VIEW OF FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL JUSTIFICATION AND CIRCUMSTANCES.

A. FRANCE AND BELGIUM CONTINUE TO ATTEND NATO-HAWK EUROPEAN LIMITED IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (HELIP) MEETINGS AND RECEIVE HELIP

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DOCUMENTATION THROUGH THAT MEDIUM. FRANCE, WHILE A PARTICIPANT OF HELIP PHASE A, DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN HELIP PHASE B. BELGIUM PARTICIPATED IN PHASE B, BUT DOES NOT PLAN TO PARTICIPATE IN

HELIP PHASE C (PRODUCTION PROGRAM).

B. DENMARK, ALTHOUGH FORMALLY WITHDRAWN FROM HELIP, CONTINUES TO ATTEND HELIP MEETINGS AND RECEIVES ALL HELIP DOCUMENTATION AS AUTHORIZED IN REF D. DENMARK EXPECTS TO PROCURE REQUIRED IMPROVED HAWK SYSTEMS THROUGH EITHER A DIRECT BUY FROM NATO-HAWK PRODUCTION & LOGISTICS OFFICE OR THROUGH A FOREIGN MILITARY SALES (FMS) CASE WITH THE US.

C. ALL THREE COUNTRIES--FRANCE, BELGIUM AND DENMARK-- UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE US/NHPLO AGREEMENT OF 11 JULY 1968, HAVE RECEIVED FROM THAT DATE IMPROVED HAWK DOCUMENTATION AND INFORMATION WHICH ENABLED THEM TO REACH THEIR RESPECTIVE DECISIONS REGARDING IMPROVED HAWK. FOR VARIOUS POLITICAL AND/OR FINANCIAL REASONS, THESE NHPLO MEMBER NATIONS HAVE, ON OCCASION, BEEN IN AND OUT OF THE HELIP PROGRAM. ANY OF THESE THREE COUNTRIES COULD STILL RETURN TO THE PROGRAM, FURTHER, AT PRESENT BOTH BELGIAN AND FRENCH FIRMS PLAN TO PARTICIPATE IN HELIP CONVERSION, AND THEREFORE, BOTH OF THOSE NATIONS MUST CONTINUE TO HAVE ACCESS TO IMPROVED HAWK DOCUMENTATION. DENMARK EXPECTS TO PROCURE AND DEPLOY THE IMPROVED SYSTEM AND WILL CONTINUE TO REQUIRE ALL PERTINENT DOCUMENTATION. ALL THREE COUNTRIES HAVE REQUISITE "QUOTE NEED-TO-KNOW UNQUOTE" FOR CONTINUING ACCESS TO HELIP DOCUMENTATION.

2. BASIC TECHNICAL INFORMATION AND CHANGES ARE BEING PRODUCED ON A CONTINUING BASIS UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE US/NHPLO AGREEMENT OF 11 JULY 1968. IN VIEW OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES, REQUEST RECONSIDERATION OF STATED POSITION THAT ONLY GERMANY, GREECE, ITALY AND THE NETHERLANDS ARE AUTHORIZED TO RECEIVE IMPROVED HAWK DOCUMENTATION AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION. USNATO RECOMMENDS THAT FRANCE, BELGIUM AND DENMARK ALSO BE INCLUDED IN THE AUTHORIZATION.

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